

NEAR-RIOT IN ROCKETTS

David Cohen Resents Insult Offered Mrs. Cohen.

USES A "BLACK JACK"

Young Pawnbroker Beats Up John Gardner, Negro Fish Dealer, and Several Others Join in Fray—Three Are Arrested.

David Cohen, a young pawnbroker of 2404 Jefferson avenue, started a near-riot in Rocketts late yesterday afternoon when he attacked John Gardner, a negro fish dealer, with a "black-jack" in an effort to resent an insult which it is said the negro offered to Mrs. Cohen. Several persons quickly mixed in the fight and in a few minutes a large crowd had gathered on the scene. One of the negroes in the mix-up began using a heavy ice pick and for the timely arrival of Special Officer J. W. Shorter on the scene a serious combat would have resulted.

According to the statements made by Cohen to the police, Mrs. Cohen went to Gardner's fish stand to buy some fish. She picked up one fish and asked the negro if it was fresh. Without turning his head to see who was addressing him, it is said, the negro said: "It don't make a damn bit of difference whether it is fresh or not. You don't have to buy it unless you want to. You people make me tired by asking if fish are fresh."

Wields "Black-jack" With Effect. Mrs. Cohen burst out crying and ran across the avenue to her husband's store. After some hesitation she told him what had happened and Cohen seized a "black-jack" and rushed across the avenue. He fell upon Gardner with the weapon and beat him down with blow after blow over the head. Gardner fought back as best he could and several other negroes joined in to assist him.

A young man named Luton went to Cohen's assistance in the fight and people began running to the scene from all directions. In the mix-up one of the negroes pulled out a heavy ice pick and drew back to strike Cohen over the head, but Luton grabbed his arm and succeeded in staying the blow.

Officer Shorter Arrives. All this time, Cohen had been hitting right and left with the "black-jack" and Gardner was rather badly beaten up, his face being cut in several places and there being several wounds in his head. At that juncture Officer Shorter arrived on the scene and placed both Cohen and Gardner under arrest.

Cohen was bailed for his appearance in the police court this morning. H. S. Reynolds being accepted as his bondsman. Gardner also was bailed later.

Last night Gardner's son, who is said to have mixed in the fray, was summoned to appear in the police court this morning. All of the men are charged with disorderly conduct.

ELKS BACK FROM MEETING OF STATE ASSOCIATION

Delegates Highly Pleased With Sessions Held at Charlottesville—Crab Feast Featured.

All of the delegates from the local lodge of Elks returned yesterday from Charlottesville, where they attended the meeting of the State Association of Elks this week. Besides the delegates a number of the lodgemen and their wives and friends made the trip and all report having had a splendid time.

The local delegates say that the meeting was one of the best in the history of the association and they are highly pleased with the cordial welcome extended them in the University city. The crab feast of crabs shipped from this city was the principal social feature of the convention.

SOCIAL-PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cranstone, 219 Thirty-fourth street, have as their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Austin, of Washington, D. C.

Mr. Robert Hunter Harvey, who has been ill several months has gone to the Panacea Springs, N. C., to recuperate. He was accompanied by Mr. Joseph Bell.

Miss Ethel Topping is expected to arrive tomorrow from Amberg, Va., to resume her work as a teacher in the city public schools.

Mr. John W. Reynolds left yesterday for Gordonsville, Va., to accompany Mrs. Reynolds home. Mrs. Reynolds has been spending several weeks with relatives in the mountains of Virginia.

Mr. E. P. Moss, who has been ill for two weeks, is able to be out again.

Mr. Caleb D. West, who has been ill with typhoid fever at the Elizabeth Buxton hospital, is sufficiently recovered to be removed to his home on Thirty-fourth street.

Mrs. J. M. Shockley, in East End, has as her guest, her nephew, Mr. Carl Tull, of Crisfield, Md.

Miss Edna Trimyer, who has been visiting relatives in Richmond, has returned home.

Mrs. O. F. Chandler is visiting relatives in Richmond.

Miss Alice Harvey, who has been visiting W. S. McIntosh, in East End, has returned to her home in Richmond.

After a visit to her aunt, Mrs. G. Bradford, in East End, Miss Nora Davidson has returned to Richmond.

Mrs. Charles F. Pitt and son left yesterday for a visit to relatives in Philadelphia and other northern cities.

Miss Ula Lawrence, who has been visiting in Baltimore and Washington, has returned home.

Miss Emily Hubbard has returned Southwest Virginia, where she visited relatives.

Miss Roberta Graham, who has been visiting relatives in Baltimore, has returned home. Miss Alice Stewart accompanied her home and will be her guest here.

Mr. J. Eisenman and little daughter, who have been spending several days in Charlottesville, have returned home.

Miss Emily Jones, who has been visiting at her former home in Johnstown, Pa., has returned to this city.

Mrs. Robert Atkinson and children, who have been visiting relatives in Dendron, Va., have returned home.

The Misses Jenkins, on Huntington avenue, have as their guests, their cousin, Miss Gretchen Jenkins, of Martinsville, W. Va.

Mr. E. A. Enap, in East End, has as his guest, his sister, Miss Ollie Enap, of North Carolina.

Mrs. T. V. Williamson and children are visiting at Virginia Beach.

Miss Dollie Irvington, who has been visiting relatives here, has returned to her home in Lynchburg.

Miss Frances Eggleston, who has been spending the summer with relatives in this city, has returned to Baltimore to resume his studies.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Reynier and daughter, Miss Beale, who have been spending several days in Charlottesville, returned home yesterday afternoon.

WILL TEST LEGALITY OF COMPANY'S CLAIMS

Justice Semmes to Pass on Much Mooted Question About Up-keep of Cemetery Lots.

Justice of the Peace B. B. Semmes is to pass upon the legality of the right of the Newport News Cemetery Company to require all owners of lots in Greenlawn cemetery to pay the company an annual fee for the up-keep of the lot when the owner takes care of his own lot.

The test case is that of the cemetery company against Fred M. Barrett for the recovery of \$4, which is the amount charged against Mr. Barrett by the plaintiff for keeping the former's lot in the cemetery.

Mr. Barrett claims that he has owned the lot for twelve years; that he keeps it in condition himself and that he never has paid a fee to the company.

Mrs. Charles C. Moss and little daughter, Florence, of Portsmouth, Va., are the guests of Mrs. Moss' sister, Mrs. Frank A. McMillan, at the Colonial apartments in North End.

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BLAND FOR PRESIDENT

Prominent Young Lawyer to be New Head of Chamber.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

No Additional Nominations Are Made, So Officer Will be Elected as Submitted—Mr. Livezey Tells of Waterways Convention.

Otis Bland, one of the leading young lawyers of the city, will be the next president of the Chamber of Commerce. The nominating committee of the chamber, elected on the floor a month ago, made its report at the regular meeting last night and, as no additional nominations were offered, it is a certainty that all of the officers selected by the committee will be elected at the October meeting.

The officers nominated in the report are: President—S. Otis Bland, First Vice-President—W. W. Harwood, Second Vice-President—W. B. Livezey.

Third Vice-President—A. B. Meyers, Treasurer—J. E. Warren, Directors—W. Lee Powell, J. E. B. Stuart, C. K. Weaver, M. C. Armstrong, W. S. Copeland, George R. Dabney, C. B. Nelms, J. H. Graves and H. B. Holmes.

Interesting Regular Meeting. The chamber held an interesting regular meeting last night with President Powell in the chair and a fairly large attendance.

Secretary Cottrell read his report and that of the board of directors, giving a detailed account of all the work that has been done in the name of the chamber during the past month.

Chairman Copeland, of the advertising committee, made a report, recommending that a proposal from a Richmond advertising bureau in regard to advertising Newport News in a booklet to be issued by the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway be referred to the city council, and that no action be taken at this time on the suggestion that advertising tablets be placed in the various hotels of the city. Both recommendations were adopted.

Going to Headquarters. The action of the board of directors in authorizing the secretary to go to Baltimore, with such business men as desire to accompany him, for the purpose of asking the chief officials of the Merchants & Miners Transportation Company for improvement in the freight service between this city and Baltimore, was approved.

W. B. Livezey made an interesting report of the proceedings of the Atlantic Deep Waterways Association's convention at Providence, which he, President Powell, C. K. Weaver, O. D. Batchelor and M. C. Armstrong attended as delegates from the chamber.

Various matters of routine business were referred to proper committees. The secretary spoke of the convention of municipalitis to be held in Galveston in November, and said that he believed the editors of the two local newspapers should attend this convention as representatives of the chamber. This suggestion was referred to the board of directors.

CADETS FROM RANGER ARE GIVEN SHORE LEAVE

Massachusetts Naval Reserves Take In Sight of This City and Vicinity.

A large number of the cadets from the Massachusetts naval reserve training ship Ranger were given shore leave here yesterday and they spent the day taking in the sights of the city and vicinity. The cadets are a fine looking lot of young men who conducted themselves well throughout the day.

The Ranger came into port Thursday and she probably will remain here until next week. She will go direct to Boston from this port as the cruise is nearly at an end.

NEGRO FACES SERIOUS CHARGE

Clifton Hodges Alleged to Have Snatched \$19 from Greek. Charged with snatching \$19 from A. Joseph, a Greek, several nights ago, Clifton Hodges, a negro, was arrested yesterday morning by Patrolman Messick and Justice Brown subsequently continued the case until today and Hodges went to jail.

Joseph alleges that the negro snatched \$19 from him while he was closing his place up in Rocketts several nights ago. He gave chase and captured the negro and later was beaten up by Hodges and several other negroes. Hodges says that he and the Greek had an argument about a bag of peanuts and that a fight ensued. The police believe the negro's story.

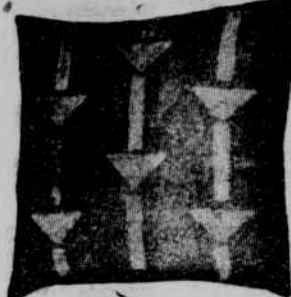
Gets Heavy Fine.

In the police court yesterday morning Justice Brown fined Fannie P. Thompson, a negro, \$12.75 for interfering with an officer. The woman was arrested Thursday by Constable Hester on the charge of destroying furniture on which the constable had levied.

W. E. Rouse—Funeral Director.

WOOD BLOCK PRINTING.

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Sailboat Girls Like to Pose.

Woman's place in the sailboat is a problem now agitating amateur sailors. The mariners who take their summer vacation as their only opportunity to sail the tricky catboats have found that most of their accidents have been due to the recklessness of their women passengers. It seems to be an inveterate feminine longing to pose about the decks after the manner of girls on magazine covers. The woman who sits on the cabin top is the hardest to deal with. Whenever the boom jibes the swing of it is likely to knock her into the water. Now it has been discovered that the place for women on catboats is in the cockpit, but this will probably kill sailing as a pastime for women, because it keeps them almost completely hidden.

A Woman's Plan.

Mrs. Ellen H. Richards' proposition for working people to live in hexagonal buildings fifteen stories high and literally surrounded by sunlight and air is not aesthetic, but it is rather terrible from an architectural point of view. But that needn't matter if these "towers" will solve the congestion of cities and aid in the improvement of sanitary conditions.

Now's the Time to Buy Lingerie Gowns

This is the season of the year to buy a lingerie gown cheap. The shops are all marking down their best models, and one sometimes can purchase for less than half the original price a frock that in the beginning of the season was prohibitive.

Then if one does not care for ready made clothes there is at present the



IT'S FRENCH, BUT MAY BE EASILY COPIED.

opportunity of obtaining at greatly reduced rates pieces of lace and lovely lengths of insertion and furnishings.

The lingerie gown illustrated is a French creation; but, as you see, it may be copied at small cost. The materials used are all over eyelet embroidery furnishings. The skirt consists of two deep pieces of the bounding put together with a wide insertion of val lace. At the bottom of the skirt, under the scalloped edge of the flounce, is a scanty ruffle of the Valenciennes lace. The peasant bodice is formed of eyelet and lace. Outlining the round neck is a piping of black velvet.

FAST FREIGHT SERVICE FROM NEW YORK HERE

Old Dominion Steamship Company Will Send Freight Here on Auxiliary Steamer.

Announcement was made yesterday by Acting Agent H. C. Parker, of the Old Dominion Steamship Company, that that company has inaugurated a new fast freight service between New York and Newport News. Freight forwarded on the steamship steaming from New York at 3 p. m., will be discharged at Norfolk the following morning and transferred to the auxiliary steamer, Smithfield,

which arrives at Old Dominion pier A at 4:30 o'clock.

Heretofore Newport News freight was discharged from the New York steamers which arrive here from Norfolk on the night following the afternoon of the departure from New York, and delivered the following morning. Under the new arrangement the time between New York and Newport News will be reduced fifteen hours.

This improved fast freight service to and from New York is expected to be of great benefit to this city.

Ambulances—Call W. E. Rouse.

Says Dog "Scratched Out."

Police Justice Brown yesterday stated that the reason he gave Chief of Police Madison an order for his dog Thursday after the canine had been caught in the city without a muzzle, was because it had been shown to his satisfaction that the dog "scratched out" of the pen in which he was kept in Bloodfield.

An Ohio man has invented a device by which automobile lamps can be turned with the wheels in order to illuminate the road at corners.

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